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CORRECTIONS & CHANGES OF ADDRESS.

- 1894. Barrett, M., 25, Marlborough Crescent, Bedford Park, W. (sole address).
- 1910. Biggar, A. G., c/o Mrs. S. M. Hamill, Cherry Grove Farm, Princetown, New Jersey, U.S.A. (post).
- 1903. Brownell, D., c/o Major Prioleau, Pakenham Lodge, Bury S. Edmunds (post).
- 1908. Cooper, C., c/o R. Cholmondeley, Esq., Dorton House, Thame, Oxfordshire (post).
- 1910. Crowe, E. L., at Cranmore, West Horsley, Surrey (post).
- 1910. Cuscaden, A. C., 29, Clarinda Park East, Kingstown, Co. Dublin (home).
- 1911. Deck, M., c/o Mrs. Amyatt Hull, C.O.'s House, N., Raglan Barracks, Devonport (post).
- 1896. Flewker, G., c/o Mrs. F. H. Anderson, Walsworth House, Hitchin (post).
- 1913. Gladding, M., Stanley Mount, Taunton Road, Ashton-under-Lyne; c/o Mrs. Morton, Homeacres, Carlisle.
- 1913. Lambert, M. C. M., c/o Mrs. Gillings, The Close, Rugby (rooms).
- 1905. Loveday, K., c/o T. S. Gillatt, Esq., Kadoora, Meppadi, Malabar, S. India (post).
- 1912. Moffatt, B., c/o Mrs. Kennedy, Leaves Green, Keston, Hayes S.O., Kent.
- 1912. Other, F. E., 7, Bailiffgate, Alnwick, Northumberland (rooms).
- 1898. Pennethorne, R. A., P. U. School, 7, London Road, Maidstone (sole address).
- 1912. Rohde, D., 9, Waterloo Place, Dublin (sole address).
- 1903. Thomson, D. L. (Mrs. Esslemont), 11, Westbourne Square, Paddington, London, W.

- 1907. Thorp, O. (Mrs. G. Cooper), 41, Solon Street, Athens.
- 1908. Vine, M., Sidgwick Hall, Newnham College, Cambridge.
- 1910. West-Symes, E. W., c/o Mrs. Finlay, Baronald, Lanark, N.B. (post).
- 1905. Wiseman, M. H., P.U. School, 7, London Road, Maidstone (post).

BIRTHS.

- Bellerby.—At 11, Northanger Road, Streatham, S.W., on September 2nd, to Mr. and Mrs. Norman Bellerby, a daughter (Constance Margaret).
- BLEASE.—On June 28th, at Rostherne, Blundellsands, to Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Blease, a daughter.
- Bolland.—On August 20th at 5, Highbury Quadrant, N., the wife (née "Joycie" Watters) of Arthur P. Bolland, Sudan Civil Service, Cairo, of a son.
- MOORE.—On June 11th, at Broombank, Moffat, N.B., to Mr. and Mrs. A. V. C. Moore (née Avice Cox), of a son (Desmond Bernard).

NOTICES.

All students are requested to send their addresses at once to The Editor, Fredville, near Dover, as the Annual Address List will appear in the next number of L'UMILE PIANTA. The Editor would like to point out that much trouble and expense is spared if students immediately respond to this request, even in the cases where their addresses have not changed since last year. The post addresses should include the name of the "postess," as this increases the utility of the list.

Dixon's Handbook to British Mosses, price new 18s. 6d., is for sale second-hand. Apply to Miss Wix, Fredville, near Dover.



Several articles have unavoidably been held over owing to lack of space.

The next number of L'UMILE PIANTA will appear on January 15th. All communications must reach the Editor by December 20th.

STUDENTS' MEETINGS.

A special effort was made to get a larger gathering than usual at the meeting on June 6th, as Mrs. Franklin had very kindly offered to come and tell us about several of the Montessori Schools she had been visiting in Rome. Seventeen students responded to the appeal, and the room looked quite well filled. Miss Mason had very kindly lent us the Presentation Address for the afternoon, and all were glad of the chance of examining and admiring Miss Owen's beautiful work. We were only sorry that the pleasure could not have been shared by a much greater number.

Mrs. Franklin came after tea and spoke to us for nearly an hour, so we had a great treat. The Montessori schools do not seem to improve on close accquaintance-but as I believe there is going to be an article about them in the November Plant I won't anticipate. The meeting did not break up till nearly 6.30—quite a record time—I fancy. The following were present: Misses Allen, Barrett, Bernau, Davis, Evans, Faunce, Gray, C. Henderson, W. Kitching, Macfarlane, Norris, Oliver, Pennethorne, Rankin, Smith, MacSheehy, and Young.

There was a delightful feeling of joyful relief and also of anticipation over us all as we made our way to Chilworth Street on Saturday, October 3rd-for we knew that all anxiety on Miss Mason's behalf was at an end, and there was a vague rumour that Miss E. Kitching would be at the meeting. We were denied that pleasure, but Miss W. Kitching

and Miss Parish were there-both of whom had seen the travellers on their way through London, and we eagerly listened to all they had to tell us-first about the journey from Villengen (?) in Baden-Baden back to Nauheim, a distance of 200 miles, which had to be covered by motor-car; and later on of the journey back to England, both of which were accomplished without any mishap, though not without an element of excitement and even of danger. But I must not anticipate, for we quite hope that Miss Kitching will find time to write a letter to the Plant herself, which would be infinitely better than any words of mine. But I should just like to say what an immense debt of gratitude we Students all feel we owe to her for having taken such great care of Miss Mason both whilst at Nauheim and on the journey home. All the rest of the talk naturally centred on the war, and all seemed to be busy knitting either helmets or belts or socks, though one, more enterprising than the rest, was busy over pants, which were laced up behind with mauve ribbons! Miss Owen thrilled us all with an account of her "mission" to the soldiers, how she takes up her stand every night outside the Aldershot Post Office and sells stamps to the "Tommies"—some nights as many as £,9 worth—and the men are most grateful and take great care of her. Truly Aldershot must live in stirring times these days with at least a hundred thousand troops quartered there. There were eleven of us altogether, and Mrs. Hughes Jones just came in for a moment to apologize in person for her nonappearance. Those present were: Misses Kitching, Parish, El. Smith, Allen, Owen, Young, Macfarlane, J. Smith, Maude, Moffatt, and Gray. LILIAN GRAY.

There will be meetings at 13, Chilworth Street, at 3.30, on Saturday, December 5th, and Saturday, January 2nd, which we hope will be well attended.